

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:**

Please replace the abstract with the following:

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A water-in-water emulsion cosmetic composition and the use of the composition for washing and conditioning materials, such as the hair. The composition contains a cosmetically acceptable aqueous medium, at least one surfactant, at least one water-soluble salt, and at least one cationic polymer with a weight-average molecular mass of greater than  $10^5$ . The ratio of water-soluble salt to cationic polymer is greater than or equal to 4.5, the amount of surfactant in the composition ranges from 4% by weight to 50% by weight, the amount of water soluble salt in the composition is at least 2.25% by weight, and the amount of cationic polymer in the composition is at least 0.5% by weight.